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Poetry.

'It grows very Dark, Mother.'

Our boys did game. One was ordered to fall in rank.— He answered quietly, 'I will if I can.' His arm hung shattered by his side, and he was bleeding to death. His last words brought tears to the eyes of all around. He murmured, 'It grows very dark, mother—very dark.'— Poor fellow, his thoughts were far away at his peaceful home in Ohio.— *Cincinnati Gazette.*

The crimson tide was ebbing, and the pulse grew weak and faint,

But the lips of that brave soldier scorned e'en now to make complaint;

"Fall in rank," a voice called to him—calm and low was his reply:

"Yes, if I can, I'll do it—I will do it though I die."

And he murmured, when the life-light had died out to just a spark,

"It is growing very dark, mother—growing very dark."

There were tears in many eyes, then, and many heads were bowed;

Though the balls flew thick around them, and the cannon thundered loud,

They gathered round the spot where the dying soldier lay, To catch the broken accents he was struggling then to say

And a change came o'er the features where death had set his mark—

"It is growing very dark, mother—very, very dark."

Far away his mind had wandered to Ohio's hills and vales, Where the loved ones watched and waited with that love that never fails;

He was with them as in childhood, seated in the cottage floor,

Where he watched the evening shadows slowly creeping on the floor,

Bend down, closely, comrades, closely, he is speaking now, and hark!

"It is growing very dark, mother—very, very dark."

He was dreaming of his mother, that her loving hand was pressed

On his brow for one short moment ere he sank away to rest;

That her lips were now imprinting a kiss upon his cheek;

And a voice he well remembered spoke so soft, and low, and meek,

Her gentle form was near him, her footsteps he could mark—"But 'tis growing very dark, mother—mother—very dark."

And the eye that once had kindled, flashing with patriotic light,

Slowly glazing, vainly strove to pierce the gathering gloom of night.

Ah! poor soldier—ah! fond mother, you are severed now for aye,

Cold and pulseless, there he lies now, where he breathed his life away.

Through this heavy cloud of sorrow shines there not one heavenly spark?

Ah! it has grown dark, mother, very, very dark.

Gather round him, soldiers, gather, fold his hands and close his eyes

Near, another one is dying, "Rally round our flag!" he cries:

"Heaven protect it!—fight on, comrades, speedily avenge our death!"

Then his voice grew low and faltering, slowly came each painful breath,

Two brave forms lay side by side there; death had loved ashing mark.

And two sad mothers say, "It has grown dark, ah! very dark."

Salem, Ind., July 3, 1861.

Miscellany.

From the Christian Messenger.

St. Albans District Preachers' Meeting.

DEAR BRO. WEBSTER:—Agreeable to my instructions, I send you for publication a brief summary of the exercises of the St. Albans District Preachers' Association, held at Swanton on the 13th, 14th, and 15th days of the present month. I shall but repeat the testimony of many present, when I say it was the most pleasant, and apparently the most profitable meeting of the Association we have ever had.

Rev. D. B. McKenzie was chosen Chairman, and H. F. Austin, Secretary.

The records show the presence of twenty-eight preachers—twenty-four of whom are traveling, and four local. Twenty remained until the adjournment Thursday. Fifteen took part in the exercises, either presenting sermons, essays, or reviews, for criticism, and all used the critic's knife, "sharper than a two-edged sword," but with so much brotherly love that no hearts were divided, though a few joints were sundered.

At half past ten Tuesday morning, in accordance with the bill of assignment, H. F. Austin preached before the Association. Text, Rom. v: 3, 4, 5. Subject, The Christian's Exultation amid Tribulations. The sermon and manner of delivery were publicly criticised, and some good advice given from which we are resolved to profit.

During the afternoon session of Tuesday, Bro. C. Garvin presented an Exegesis of Jer. vii: 9. Both the production and the reading were generally highly commended by the Association.

W. C. Robinson read an Essay on "The effect of manuscript preaching upon the efficiency of the pulpit. The writer thought the minister required peculiar grace to keep his eye on God, on the salvation of souls and on his paper, too. The drift of the essay was, that manuscript preaching greatly diminishes the efficiency of the pulpit, if it does not destroy it altogether. This subject called forth quite an animated discussion. While the brethren very generally endorsed the sentiment of the essay, those who are best acquainted with the essayist think his manuscript preaching

more efficient than his extempore efforts. He wields the "pen of a ready writer."

Bro. C. H. Lovejoy, of Kansas notoriety, read an essay on 'American Slavery.' This brother hates Slavery—has much of the *belli* spirit, 'preaches for peace,' 'prays for peace,' and if occasion is given is ready to 'fight for peace.'

R. Morgan presented a sermon on Matt. xiii: 28-30, abounding in negatives, but strong in the good old Anglo Saxon style.

Tuesday evening, Bro. J. Fassett of Winoski preached. We did not hear this sermon, but heard of it.

Wednesday morning Bro. J. S. Mott read an essay on 'Preparation for the Pulpit.' Prayer, especially was made prominent, while hard study, and acquaintance with the people and their wants was not ignored. The essay showed the power of condescension.—The following resolution was then discussed:

Resolved, That the term of ministerial service should be extended one or more years.

Bros. Townsend and Morgan sustained the affirmative—Lovejoy and Fassett the negative. This discussion was nearly one hour and a half in length, but very interesting to those present. It abounded in sharp repartees, apt illustrations of the itinerant system and its efficiency, sprinkled with oratorical assumptions, a little logic and considerable *reductio ad absurdum*. The term of ministerial service is, however, to be *in statu quo* until these disputants repeat their arguments at the next General Conference, when it is supposed there will be an entire revolution, if not indefinite extension. I believe it is decided that Chaplains and Windsor convicts can remain three or more years, unless the Governor recalls their appointment. The preachers and laymen present, by rising vote, expressed their opinion on the merits of the question discussed. Thirty-seven voted in favor of extension, and seventeen against.

After this discussion, Bro. J. Luce of St. Albans, preached a sermon concerning Faith, from Gal. v: 6. This was publicly criticised and generally commended.

During the afternoon session of Wednesday, H. F. Austin read a review of 'Bitter-Sweet,' by Dr. Holland. The book is a Theological Poem—manifestly—New England Calvinism sweetened with honeyed words and embalmed in pleasant verse.

C. R. Hawley read an essay on 'The Relation of the Pulpit to the Politics of the Country.' The essayist was for having the ministry speak out fearlessly and distinctly on all questions involving moral principle and the interests of Christ's Kingdom, even though called political, and made the issue between National parties. The essay was criticised and condemned by some, but to its manly sentiments nearly all responded a hearty Amen!

H. N. Munger read a sermon of great originality from Mat. xvi: 29, 30.

Bro. D. Lewis presented an essay—'Is the use of tobacco in any form consistent with Christian profession and character?' The sentiment of the essay strongly condemned the use of tobacco in any and all its forms. The writer quoted these words,—'Let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit.' He thought it required a peculiar charity that admits one can be 'cleansed from all filthiness' of 'spirit' while their flesh is perfumed and pervaded with the filthiest poison of this most filthy weed. Mr. Editor, how does it make you feel to see a minister of the Lord Jesus with lips and teeth besmeared with the foul saliva and cheeks extended with the filthy roll, standing in the sacred desk, professing to be cleansed from all filthiness of flesh and spirit, urging this "perfection of holiness" on others, yet indulging in this vile, selfish, practice? Is it consistent or inconsistent with Christian profession and character?

Bro. J. Fassett read an Essay on The propriety of observing everything in our Discipline. It abounded in Fassett wit and phraseology. Speaking of the manner of administering the Discipline he used language nearly as follows: "He who is capacious, exacting and over-bearing in his administration, his way through the world will be like McDowell's retreat from Manassas—the way-side strewed with the heaps of the dead and wounded, besides multitudes missing."

Bro. V. M. Simons read a very brief Essay on The impropriety of preaching funeral sermons. He presented three objections to the practice, but the Association did not deem them sufficiently conclusive.

Wednesday evening Bro. G. A. Silfversten preached a very systematic sermon from 11 Thess. ii: 16. Subject, Good Hope.

Thursday morning session—Bro. E. A. Titus read a good sermon from Acts i: 8.—Bro. G. A. Silfversten read a scholastic Essay on Hebrew Poetry.

To us the most interesting feature of the Association was the Love Feast on Thursday morning just before adjournment. The presence of the Lord was felt. The simple witnessing for Jesus mingled with holy song and

ascriptions of praise and shouts of triumph, was a season of joy long to be remembered.

"The best of all is, God is with us." There were high and holy resolutions formed there.

Our new Presiding Elder has a peculiar Scottish tact and energy which, baptized with the spirit of his Master, make him a most efficient presiding officer in the Association and the District, and give him access generally to the hearts of the people.

The following resolutions were adopted, which the Secretary was instructed to have published:

Whereas, two new Regiments are to be organized in this State, for the war service of government—and whereas neither of the three organized Regiments have a Methodist chaplain, and whereas there are good reasons for the opinion that our Church should be represented in the chaplaincy of our State army therefore,

Resolved, That we appoint a committee of three to take into consideration the propriety of representing before the Executive of the State our feelings that one of the aforesaid Regiments should have a chaplain from the M. E. Church. Said committee consists of Rev. Messrs. McKenzie, Moore and Simons.

The following Resolution to be read in the Pulpit at Swanton:

Whereas, The people of Swanton Falls have very cheerfully and liberally entertained us during this session of the Association, and have cheered and encouraged us by their presence at our meetings, Therefore

Resolved, That we hereby express our gratitude to them and will not cease to pray for them until we meet them on the other shore.

Resolved, That the Association owe Br. Simons a debt of gratitude for his characteristic promptness and fidelity in making preparations for our comfort and convenience while here.

Resolved, That the Secretary be and hereby is instructed to secure the publication of an abstract of the proceedings of this Association in the *Vermont Christian Messenger*.

In compliance the above is respectfully submitted.

The next meeting of the Association is to be at Winoski on the 2d Tuesday of October next.

H. F. AUSTIN, Secretary.

Fairfax, August 19.

The Poor Contrabands.

There are now at Fortress Monroe some nine hundred or a thousand contraband negroes, who consume a deal of food, and have been so many vexed questions to the commander of the fort and the government. Now the army department has decided to employ them, such as are fit for it, in the government service. They will be fed, housed, clothed and cared for, and all the able-bodied men set to work. A correspondent of the *World* thus describes a visit to their quarters:

"Last evening I took a stroll among them at their rendezvous. Some of them are in a most destitute condition, and they all live in constant terror of 'something that'll happen yet and carry us poor darkies all